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- la Argentina, Uruguay and Brazil are reported to be carrying on conversations of a confidential nature concerning the development of a joint policy and cooperation on the control of Communism in the three countries. Incidental to this, there is a discussion concerning the promulgation of a commercial pact between the three countries. The recent trip to Uruguay of the Argentine Foreign Minister, Dr. Atilio Bramuglia, and the subsequent trip to Brazil of the Uruguayan Minister of the Interior, Dr. Giordano Eccher, at least partially confirm the report.
- 2. Upon his arrival in Uruguay on 9 October, Dr. Bramuglia proceeded to the summer home of President Luis Batlle Berres at La Paloma. There he was visited by a high Brazilian official (unidentified), who discussed with him a projected agreement on Communism and a commercial pact. On 15 October, Bramuglia left La Paloma for Montevideo enroute to Argentina.
- 3. Coincidental with this, Dr. Eccher traveled to Brazil as an official representative of the Uruguayan government at the funeral of the wife of President Dutra. During the time he was there, Dr. Eccher took advantage of the opportunity to make arrangements so that President Batlle Berres could have a similar discussion with Brazilian officials concerning the projected agreement. As a consequence, President bathle Berres left montevideo the weekend of 18 October, proceeded up the coast near La Paloma, and conferred with another high Brazilian official (unidentified) at the border town of Chuy, Brazil.
- h. To date nothing is known of the outcome of these conversations.

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